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## **WILD HORSES & BURROS SEEKING NEW HOMES**

**(Robstown, Texas – Jan. 30-31).** Strong. Proud. Spirited. Coming your way soon, 95 wild horses and burros - symbolic of the historic American west - in need of good homes.

Attend the next Wild Horse and Burro adoption event to see if you are eligible to take home a living legend. Hosted by the Bureau of Land Management, this event takes place in Robstown, Texas at the Nueces County Memorial Agriculture, Jan. 30 and 31.

This two-day event features 30 weanlings (young horses that are about 6 months old), 30 mares, 20 studs and 15 burros (five jennies and 10 jacks) available for adoption.

Preview of all animals available for adoption begins Thurs. afternoon from 4 to 6 p.m., then again on Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Sat. from 8 a.m. to noon. A competitive bid will be held on Friday at 10 a.m. Following the initial competitive bid, walk-up adoptions will be held throughout the weekend until noon on Saturday. The minimum adoption fee is \$125, per animal to qualified adopters.

Admission is free. Spectators and adopters are encouraged to stop by early to learn what it takes to adopt a wild horse or burro. Wild Horse and Burro Specialists and past adopters will be available during this event for questions on the adoption experience.

To qualify, bidders must be at least 18 years of age, with no record of animal abuse. In addition, adopters must have specific facilities and can adopt no more than four animals. All animals must be picked up on Sat. by noon in an approved stock trailer. Applications to adopt are accepted on site.

For more information call toll free at **1-866-4-Mustangs**, or visit the Bureau of Land Management's web site at [www.wildhorseandburro.gov](http://www.wildhorseandburro.gov).

**Directions:** The Nueces County Memorial Agriculture is about 15 minutes from Corpus Christi. It is located just north of Interstate 77 where the freeway intersects with State Highway 44 on the east side of the road.

*The Bureau of Land Management is responsible for managing the nation's public lands. With the passage of the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act of 1971, the Bureau gained the responsibility to care for wild horses and burros on these lands in harmony with other natural resources. When an over-population of wild horses and burros exists on these public lands, some animals are removed and offered to the general public for adoption.*